



PATENT  
Customer No. 22,852  
Attorney Docket No. 06530.0170-05

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: )  
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Juergen KORTENBACH ) Group Art Unit: 3734  
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Application No.: 10/612,005 ) Examiner: Diane D. Yabut  
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Filed: July 3, 2003 ) Confirmation No.: 3367  
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For: FLEXIBLE ENDOSCOPIC )  
SURGICAL INSTRUMENT FOR ) Mail Stop AF  
INVAGINATION AND )  
FUNDOPLICATION )

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

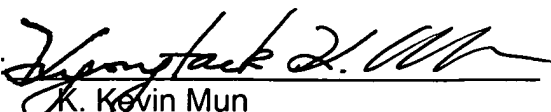
Applicant petitions for a three-month extension of time to file a reply to the final Office Action dated August 7, 2008. A fee payment of \$1,110.00 is enclosed.

Please grant any additional extensions of time required to enter the attached reply and charge any additional required fees to Deposit Account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: January 13, 2009

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